Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council Meeting Minutes September 22, 2016

The Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council met at the Indiana Office of Court Services in the 8th Floor Conference Center at 30 South Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana on September 22, 2016. The Advisory Council met 10:00a.m.-1:00 p.m.

- 1. Members present. The following members of the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council were present: Larry Landis, Executive Director of the Indiana Public Defender Commission; David Powell, Executive Director of the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council; Kevin Moore, Director of the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Julie Lanham, proxy for the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Correction; David Murtaugh, Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Bill Watson, President of the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Linda Brady, President of the Probation Officer's Professional Association of Indiana; Jeff Cappa, President of the Indiana Sheriffs Association; and Jane Seigel, Executive Director of the Indiana Office of Court Services and Council Chair.
- 2. Guests present. The following guests also attended the meeting: Kristin Casper from the Indiana Public Defender Council; Deb Braun and Jon Ferguson from the Indiana Department of Correction; Chris Cunningham from the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Adam McQueen from the Probation Officers Professional Association of Indiana; Sara Cozad, Angie Boarman, and Rebecca Buhner from the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Steve McCaffrey from Mental Health America of Indiana; Trent Glass from the Indiana House of Representatives; John Hill and Alison Karns from the Office of Governor Mike Pence; Justin Forkner from the Indiana Office of Court Services; Lisa Thompson and Dave Williams from Trial Court Technology; Josh Ross from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; and Tina Kein and John Perry from the Elkhart County Sheriff's Office .
- **3. Staff assistance.** Jennifer Bauer, Mary Kay Hudson, and Michelle Goodman provided staff assistance to the Advisory Council.
- **4. Approval of minutes.** The minutes from the August 2, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.
- **5. DOC Population Report.** Jon Ferguson distributed a handout and reported that 23.5% of the DOC inmate population is now incarcerated on criminal charges from the new code. He also reported that most of the new inmates are Level 5 offenders. Mr. Ferguson further reported that DOC jail holds have decreased

- and statutory mandated jail felons have increased significantly. The Advisory Board members discussed whether they might want more data points from DOC.
- 6. MOU with EBDM Update. Jane Seigel reported that her staff made the changes to the memorandum of understanding recommended by the Advisory Council members at the last meeting. Ms. Seigel stated that she has signed the MOU as chair of the Advisory Council and will send to Justice Steve David for his signature on behalf of the Evidence Based Decision Making Policy Team. Mary Kay Hudson announced that Indiana was selected to receive technical assistance in Phase VI of the EBDM initiative. She also reported that the State Policy Team's technical assistance provider offered the assistance of a data expert.
- 7. Update from DOC. Deb Braun reported that applications for the \$2 million in left-over FY 17 grant funds are due September 23rd. She stated that 14 applications had been received so far, requesting a total of \$2 million. The early applications requested new staff, jail treatment, and EBDM funding. Ms. Braun stated that her team will review the applications as fast as possible and make recommendations at the next meeting. Ms. Braun also reported that DOC has limited data from agencies that received FY 16 funding. She stated that the lack of standards definitions for items such as recidivism, program success, and program failure make reporting data difficult. The Advisory Council discussed the issue of data and that the NIC technical assistance can help refine what is collected.
- 8. Update from DMHA on Recovery Works. Angie Boarman distributed handouts and reported that the Recovery Works program reached 5,000 individuals enrolled as of September 23rd, with 1200 enrolled since the August JRAC meeting. She also reported that since July 1, DMHA has expended \$1.5M for services, with the top 5 services and top 5 counties remaining the same. Ms. Boarman further reported that the survey from the IUPUI team will be sent out soon. Sara Cozad asked the Advisory Council members to please distribute the surveys to their constituent members. Ms. Cozad also stated that the surveys are tailored to each criminal justice group and should take about 15 minutes to complete. Ms. Boarman distributed enrollment and service maps, and explained that 1/3 of participants are using payment sources other than Recovery Works. The Advisory Council members discussed the issue of conflict-free case management and auditing of Recovery Works. Ms. Cozad also reported that DMHA staff visited several jails recently and learned that only about 5% of jail inmates have an "out date", which complicates getting services to a person 90 days before release.
- **9. Legislative Report.** Larry Landis distributed a handout of the proposed legislative changes to IC 12-23-19-1 and IC 12-23-19-2. He explained that the committee recommends a new paragraph to each section that would allow

DMHA to operate a Recovery Works pilot program for misdemeanor offenders and also recommends assignment of the issue to a summer study committee. The dates for the pilot program would be July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. The Advisory Committee members discussed the proposal and whether the date should be moved back to allow for more data on the felony population currently served by Recovery Works. David Powell made a motion to adopt the recommendation of the legislative committee and the motion was seconded by Larry Landis. After further discussion on the proposal, Jane Seigel suggested a friendly amendment to move the pilot program start date to January 1, 2018 to allow the study committee to address the issue first. David Powell accepted the friendly amendment and the committee voted 6-0 to approve the proposal. Dave Murtaugh, Kevin Moore, and Julie Lanham abstained from the vote.

- 10. JRAC Annual Report. Jenny Bauer distributed the draft annual report and stated that the report is due before October 1. She thanked DMHA, DOC, and Trial Court Technology for submitting data for the report. The Advisory Council members discussed the report and suggested that the executive summary contain bullet points that highlight sections of the report and abstract of judgment data. Ms. Bauer also stated that the reporting period was too short to include significant data in the report. The Indiana Office of Court Services will meet with DOC to determine the appropriate data points to collect for the next report. David Powell made a motion to approve the report with changes made by the chair. David Murtaugh seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
- **11. Other Business.** Michelle Goodman reported that the IRAS and IYAS stakeholder training sessions have been scheduled and an email invite sent out to stakeholder groups. The training sessions will take place in Fort Wayne, Muncie, Clarksville, Merrillville, Plainfield, and French Lick.
- 12. **Next meetings.** Jane Seigel announced that the Advisory Council will meet on October 20, at 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. at the Indiana Office of Court Services.

Respectfully submitted,

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